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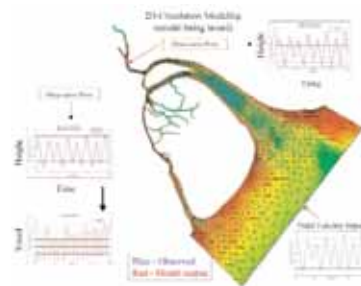
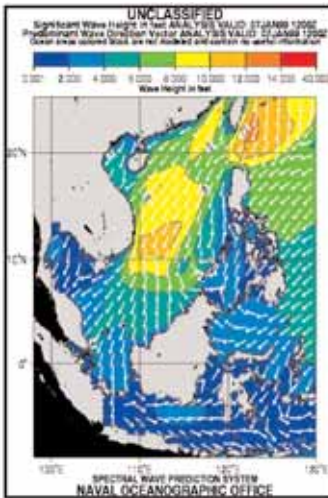
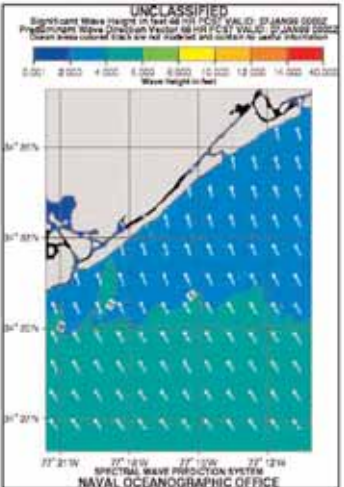
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## Ocean Modeling

NAVOCEANO provides operational oceanographic support to the Fleet through tailored analysis, real-time data, climatological products and operational ocean models.

Global Models		
<b>Navy Layered Ocean Model (NLOM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Global coverage</li> <li>1/16-degree resolution</li> <li>Seaward of 200-m depth</li> <li>Six vertical layers</li> <li>Forecasts front and eddy positions daily from 0 to 48 hours</li> <li>Forecasts layered sea surface temperature (SST) and sea surface height (SSH)</li> </ul>	
<b>Global Navy Coastal Ocean Model (G-NCOM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1/8-degree resolution</li> <li>42 vertical layers</li> <li>Will provide boundary conditions for higher resolution nests</li> <li>Assimilates NLOM SSH</li> <li>Underwent validation testing in fall 2003</li> <li>Forecasts 3D temperature, salinity and current structure from 0 to 96 hours</li> </ul>	

Regional Models		
<b>Shallow-Water Analysis and Forecast System (SWAFS)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3D coastal circulation model</li> <li>Based on Princeton Ocean Model (POM)</li> <li>Resolution varies by region (1/2 to 24 km)</li> <li>Assimilates observations from satellite (SST, SSH) and in situ (Expendable Bathythermograph (XBT); Conductivity, Temperature, and Depth (CTD); and profiling float)</li> <li>Forced by tides and Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center (FLENUMMETOCEN) winds and fluxes</li> <li>Provides daily 3D forecasts of currents, tides, temperature, salinity from 0 to 48 hours</li> </ul>	
<b>Modular Ocean Data Assimilation System (MODAS)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Statistical analysis model for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Temperature</li> <li>Salinity</li> <li>Derived quantities (sound speed, etc.)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Relocatable, variable resolution</li> <li>Uses Optimum Interpolation schemes to combine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Satellite-Derived Sea Surface Altimetry</li> <li>Gridded climatology (temperature, salinity)</li> <li>Near-real-time XBT, CTD, float and buoy data</li> </ul> </li> <li>Provides 3D temperature and salinity grids <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is used for acoustic prediction models</li> <li>Is foundation for MODAS, run at Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command regional centers and deployed Navy ships.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Provides initialization fields for 3D models</li> </ul>	

Local Models		
<b>2D Tidal Elevation/Circulation Models</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· RMA-2—Riverine and estuary model</li> <li>· ADCIRC—Coastal circulation model</li> <li>· WQMAP—Estuarine and coastal circulation model</li> <li>· PC-Tides—Coastal and small basin tidal model</li> <li>· Delft3D—Integrated nearshore circulation, wave and surf modeling system</li> <li>· Relocatable models with high-resolution domains that are implemented as needed.</li> </ul>	
<b>Wave Model (WAM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Area coverage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Globally relocatable</li> <li>- Currently running many domains</li> <li>- Relocatable, variable resolution (1/4 to 1/12 degree)</li> </ul> </li> <li>· Deep water wave model (&gt; 20m)</li> <li>· Analysis and forecasts to 48/72 hours (twice daily)</li> <li>· Surface wind forcing using FNMOC's Navy Operational Global Atmospheric Prediction System (NOGAPS) and Coupled Ocean/Atmosphere Mesoscale Prediction System (COAMPS) models</li> <li>· Produces graphics and gridded set of wave parameters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Predominant wave direction</li> <li>- Significant wave height</li> <li>- Swell direction, period, and height</li> <li>- Wind wave height</li> <li>- Average wave period</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Steady-State Spectral Wave Model (STWAVE)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Area coverage: Several areas running-typically ~25 km along-coast</li> <li>· Relocatable, variable resolution (100 to 400 m)</li> <li>· Shallow water model (&lt; 20 m)</li> <li>· Surface wind forcing using FNMOC's NOGAPS and COAMPS models</li> <li>· Gridded set of wave parameters forecast from 0 to 48 hours (twice daily) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Predominant wave direction</li> <li>- Significant wave height</li> <li>- Peak wave period</li> </ul> </li> <li>· Deep water input provided by WAM</li> </ul>	

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